

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 2071 - SB 1992**

February 12, 2016

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires all local education agency (LEA) employees to attend the annual in-service training in suicide prevention, in accordance with Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-3004(c)(1), or other equivalent training; requires the Department of Education (DOE), in consultation with the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, the Department of Health, and suicide prevention experts, to develop a list of approved training materials; requires each LEA to adopt a policy on student suicide prevention; and requires DOE to develop a model policy for suicide prevention that LEAs may adopt.

Prohibits a cause of action for any loss or damage caused by any act or omission resulting from the implementation of this bill or resulting from any training, or lack thereof, which is required. Specifies that the training required, or lack thereof, shall not impose a specific care of duty upon the state or LEAs.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Many LEAs currently have policies on student suicide prevention.
- The DOE will develop training materials and the model policy on student suicide prevention for adoption by LEAs in the normal course of business without an increase in personnel or expenditures.
- LEAs will provide training to all personnel during regular in-service days.
- Any fiscal impact on state or local government is estimated to be not significant.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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